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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - UK CAPACITY LIMITATIONS
ON U.S. CARRIERS

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STYLES/COLWELL TELECON

1. BUXTON, FCO, HAS INFORMED US THAT DEPARTMENT OF
TRADE WILL BE SENDING OUT LETTERS TO PANAM AND TWA ON
MARCH 16 WHICH WILL MODIFY DIRECTIVE CONTAINED IN
LETTERS DATED MARCH 4. FULL TEXT OF NEW LETTERS WILL
BE TRANSMITTED TO WASHINGTON AS SOON AS RECEIVED. WE
UNDERSTAND THAT, IN ESSENCE, LETTERS WILL SAY THAT
CAB'S RENEWAL OF AUTHORITY FOR AIRLINES TO ENGAGE IN
CAPACITY TALKS HAS CREATED A DIFFERENT SITUATION FROM
THAT WHICH PREVAILED WHEN EARLIER LETTER WAS ISSUED.
IT WILL NOTE THAT CARRIERS HAVE AGREED TO MEET MARCH 24
AND IT WILL EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT THE CARRIERS WILL BE
ABLE TO REACH AN INTERAIRLINE AGREEMENT "ON CAPACITY
LEVELS VERY SIMILAR TO THOSE VERY NEARLY AGREED LAST
NOVEMBER."

2. BUXTON SAID ROGERS INTENDS TO REQUEST A POSTPONEMENT
OF US-UK AVIATION TALKS SO THAT THEY MAY COINCIDE WITH
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CARRIER TALKS. WE EXPLAINED TO BUXTON THAT U.S.

NEGOTIATING CALENDAR ALREADY FULL FOR END OF MARCH AND THAT IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO ACCOMMODATE ROGERS' REQUEST.

3. COMMENT: WE WILL WAIT UNTIL WE HAVE FULL TEXT OF DOT LETTER TO COMMENT ON IT. HOWEVER, FROM OUR QUESTIONING OF BUXTON WE WOULD NOTE: (A) NEW LETTERS APPARENTLY WILL NOT EXPLICITLY CANCEL PROVISIONS OF FIRST LETTERS; (B) NEW LETTERS WILL NOT ADDRESS QUESTION OF WHAT HAPPENS IN EVENT CARRIERS FAIL TO REACH AGREEMENT; AND (C) INCLUSION OF PHRASE QUOTED PARA 1 ABOVE COULD BE INTERPRETED AS DEFINING VERY NARROWLY THE PARAMETERS WITHIN WHICH CARRIERS MAY NEGOTIATE. ALTHOUGH NEW LETTERS ARE CLEARLY NOT ALL THAT WE MIGHT HAVE WANTED, THEY MAY NEVERTHELESS CONSTITUTE THE BASIS OF A WORKABLE COMPROMISE.

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